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13 associating the [graphical representation with] at least one selected representation with at least one computer activation datum, which when activated allows access to the database;

receiving a request from a user at a second data terminal requiring authentication, the second data terminal being located remotely from the centralized computer;

inputting, at the second data terminal, a second graphical representation of the subject, the second graphical representation being at least one of the captured first representations;

activating the centralized computer with an activation card to download stored information from the centralized computer, the activation card only possessing activation means [and], the card not possessing [without] either the first or second graphical [representations] representation of the subject;

downloading from the centralized computer information representative of the previously stored first graphical representation of the subject;

comparing, at the location of the second data terminal, the first and second graphical representations of the subject; and

authenticating the user if the first and second representations of the subject are substantially the same[, and

wherein the graphical representation of the subject includes one physical trait of the subject] .

Cancel claim 8 without prejudice.

Add the following new claim:

D2 7514. The method of claim 6 wherein the compression format is selected from the group consisting of JPEG, cmp, fractal compression, or wavelet compression.